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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 2, 2004

Sir:

The undersigned hereby petitions for an extension of time to respond to the Official Action of July 2, 2003 for three months to January 2, 2004.

Please charge the extension fee of \$950 to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. If this fee is insufficient, the Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional extension fee to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

A responsive paper is filed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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